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What is claimed is:

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1. A method for conducting electronic commerce, comprising steps of:

operating a computer to contact a commerce-related site using a browser;

detecting a presence of a received message that requires, as a response, an authentication of a user;

sending a message from the computer to a mobile station over a link;

generating a user authentication message in the mobile station;

passing the user authentication message from the mobile station to the computer over the link; and

sending user authentication information to the commerce-related site using the browser.

2. A method as in claim 1, wherein the step of generating the user authentication message includes steps of:

prompting the user to enter a personal identification number (PIN); and

comparing the entered PIN to a PIN stored in the mobile station.

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4. A method as in claim 1, wherein the steps of detecting a presence of the received message and sending the message from the computer to the mobile station include a step of operating a browser plug-in software module.

6. A method as in claim 1, wherein the link is implemented using Bluetooth technology.

a mobile station comprising a user interface and a mobile station utilization application; and

said mobile station utilization application being responsive to the receipt of the message for generating a user response message and for passing the

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14. A system as in claim 7, wherein at least one electronic ticket is downloaded from said site, via said browser, to a memory of said mobile station.

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method as in claim 16, and further  
putting a personal identification  
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method as in class  
s comprised of :

20. A method as in claim 16, wherein data is downloaded from the site, via the browser, to a memory of the mobile station.